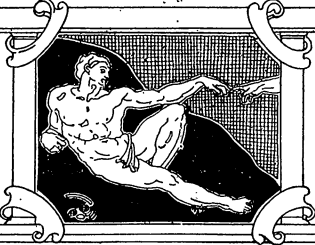


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The Work of the T. S.

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LET ME recall to the attention of all who are interested in the present and future condition of the Theosophical Society certain significant incidents in connection with its foundation. Mme. Blavatsky was sent to America by her Master to find a man named Olcott, who would help in the work that He wanted her to do in the world. She went there, and met the man, who proved to be a co-worker of life-long loyalty—a man possessing all the sociable and administrative virtues required for the development of a society like ours, intended to do the Master's work in the world. Mme. Blavatsky, the great messenger of the Masters, died in 1891, leaving Mrs. Annie Besant as successor in her inner school, and Colonel Olcott died in 1907 at Adyar, President of the Society to the end—the last of the two real founders of the Society in the beginning in 1875. There may have been other founding members of the society, most of whom fell away amid the difficulties of the early work, but these were the two who were appointed its parents by the Elder Brothers, and were the source of its work and character. Together they worked on "Isis Unveiled" in New York, and you may read in "Old Diary Leaves" how direct was the influence of the Masters in that work. A little later, when the two great founders were in India, came another splendid impulse, containing much that was orig-

inal, in the letters to Mr. Sinnett, and the experiences vouchsafed him, which resulted in his famous works, "The Occult World," "Esoteric Buddhism," and "The Growth of the Soul." Here were three decided impulses of the early days of our specific theosophical movement in the world—the training and guidance of Mme. Blavatsky by her great Teacher for a number of years; the bringing together of Colonel Olcott and Mme. Blavatsky for the definite organization of Their theosophical work; and the teaching of Mr. Sinnett a little later on. Later still came Mme. Blavatsky's greatest work, "The Secret Doctrine."

The information given to Mr. Sinnett in the famous series of letters phenomenally conveyed to him by the Master's agency, and the still fuller information given in "The Secret Doctrine," presented us with a picture of the long reaches of human evolution, guided in all its main features of unfolding by a hierarchy of Elder Brothers who were themselves but the servants of a great law of evolution of all life. It told us of the races of men and how they succeeded each other in an orderly evolution of consciousness on earth; and particularly important for our study among those races were the 4th, 5th and 6th, that is to say the immediate past, the present and the immediate future races of mankind, and the way in which the Rulers

(Manus) and Teachers (Buddhas and Bodhisatvas) from time to time deliberately selected the egos required for their new races and sub-races.

To do Their work the Theosophical Society was promoted by Their devoted servants Mme. Blavatsky and Colonel Olcott, and the present work of the T. S. is not different from that which it had in the beginning.

The T. S. has thus at the present time two great departments of work—the *inner work of the Society*, which consists of the preparation of its members for incarnation in the early days of the 6th race; and the *outer work of the Society*, which consists of its propaganda and other work intended ultimately to bring the 5th race to the height of its glory. In addition to these there is a third work, concerned with particular individuals; it is a *nursery* for those about to become pupils of the Masters, and apprentices in their work of very varied kinds in the world. Let us look at these one by one.

THE INNER WORK OF THE T. S.

Any one is at liberty to study Theosophy and make use of its teachings without becoming a member of the T. S., but those who become members and attend their lodge meetings regularly are thereby receiving a training not obtainable elsewhere, and are, no doubt, without their immediate knowledge of it, being prepared for early incarnation in the 6th race. Many of them may be described, in fact, as 6th race men in 5th race bodies. How this comes about will be seen by a study of the character of the T. S. in which it differs from all other societies. We know something about the seven fundamental types of men—the ruler, the philanthropist, the philosopher, the magician, the scientist, the devotee, the artist—and we see these people gathering together according to types in the many small societies that are the wheels in the clock-work of civilization. The scientists get together and form their societies, following their faith of trust in the outer world and the mind of man devoted to truth; the devotees get together and form their churches, following their faith of trust in God and the heart of man guided by love; the artists see in the beauty that is in the nature of things the stability of the divine, and meet to exercise and stimulate their inspiration of beauty; the philanthropists foregather in their various societies; in fact, men of each type flock together and form by their association the distinctive limbs of society.

But the Theosophical Society contains all types of men, bound together by their sense of unity (their 6th race instinct) which releases them from bondage to a solitary ideal which would make them think that science, or devotion, or beauty, or truth, or kindness, or inspiration, or understanding is *the* foundation of possible happiness and perfection for humanity. They see it in the complete co-operative organic union of all these ideals. (Mme. Blavatsky declared the equality of principles in consciousness.) Yet each member preserves and values his own type, from which none can ever escape; and in the T. S. we have every kind of crank (respectfully be the word used, for everything in the machine turns upon that)—the metaphysical crank, the artistic crank, the scientific crank, the devotional crank, and every other kind of crank—and not one of them can we spare, if our Society is to be and to remain a nucleus of the universal brotherhood of humanity, without distinction of . . . temperament and individual ideals. We are supposed to be learning the use of the word "Tolerance," not with the old supercilious feeling, "Oh yes, of course, so-and-so is not on my line, but no doubt it is all right for him." "Very queer things these artists—uncomfortable, but no doubt necessary in the scheme of things." "So-and-so is a musty old bird, but he must be evolving—in his own way"—but with all its two-sided power, tolerance should give us confidence with regard to our own ability and achievement, and humility with regard to that of our neighbor. No longer if this were fully understood should we hear in the T. S. of a conflict between reason and devotion, feeble and unworthy offspring of the old conflict between science and religion, which Theosophy was brought into the world to combat and destroy. The rope which is to draw humanity onwards to God is to be woven by the members of the T. S. in their own persons—not in seven strands stretched side by side will its strength consist, but in seven strands intimately interwoven, so that never is one to be seen except in service to the others. And this ought to translate itself in our consciousness into a profound humility. "Yes," I may say to myself, "I am something of a philosopher—but how I lack the devotional fervor of my brother." If I am an engineer and architect: "Let me build a church for my devotional brother, though my heart be dry to the direct inspiration of his worship, and God send that

he may pray for me." Such is the attitude of the true theosophist, of the true member of the T. S. and those who cannot develop this are seen quietly or noisily to drop out from time to time. Such is the attitude promoted by Mme. Blavatsky, preserved by Colonel Olcott, and carried on by Mrs. Besant at the present time. I have watched its gradual growth in our lodges during the last twenty years; in many of them there is more mutual love than there was some years ago.

THE OUTER WORK OF THE T. S.

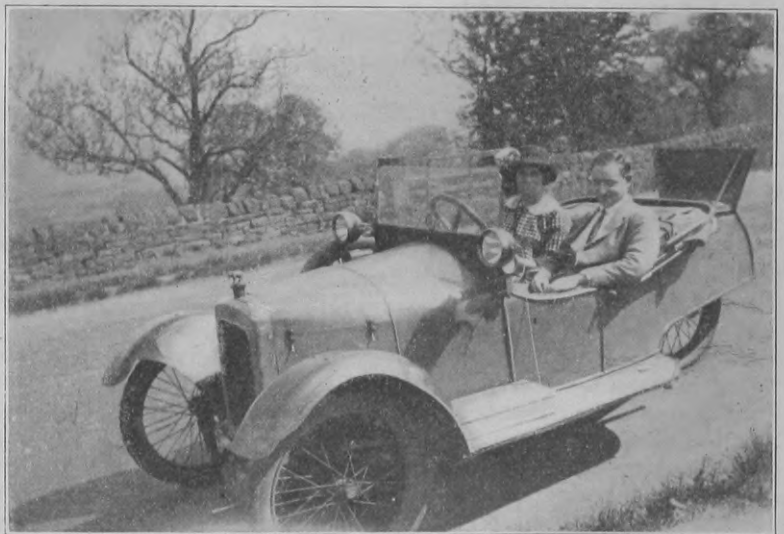
In the early days of the Society one of the Elder Brothers wrote about the "teeming millions" of mankind, and how concerned the Masters were that the Society should work for them in the world. This marks the outer work of the Society and its members—gradually to give to the 5th race that which will bring its splendid mind-won powers to the service of all its members (and through them to the world)—an understanding of the solidarity of man and the fundamental value of co-operation based not upon similarity and self-repression, but upon the mutual assistance of strong individuals. It will be the 6th race quality of instinctive co-operation, an intuitive sense of the unity of all men, that will touch the 5th race with its character and, forming the 6th sub-race, will bring the 5th race to the height of glory that its mental achievements in the 5th sub-race can bestow upon mankind when they are used with general love in the wiser days that are to come. Faith in love (the practical expression of the brotherhood of man) will then be added to faith in truth (the scientific religion of our fifth sub-race); the world will reward our love, as it has rewarded our truth, with an organic unity that expresses the power of love, as our engines of production (and destruction) express in our practical lives the power of truth.

The future will be built upon an intui-

tional feeling, to which all our theosophical activity, with its brotherhood and its knowledge, is steadily contributing. This feeling is already to be seen in some measure in small communities. In a little town, for example, we have many professions. There are the doctor, the lawyer, the engineer, the poet, the merchant, the teacher—and if any one of these carries out the duties of his profession well, he is respected and loved by the whole community. And if I were to speak well of the doctor and his beneficial presence in the community I should be astonished if some one rose and said, "Oh, no, that man is no use. He cannot write poetry or build a bridge." No one expected it; it is rare for one man to cure the sick and build a bridge, and the common-sense of goodfeeling directs us to the harmony of life in such a small community. We extend the idea to all humanity—to the different nations of the earth.

Things are to be valued for what they are, regardless of what they are not, otherwise we might spend our lives in complaint that the human body has no wings, or eyes at the back. An incarnation in Japan would make you or me more artistic than we are; in Germany more patient; in France more vivacious; in America more eager to use new knowledge; in India more philosophic—we have learnt that the nations of the earth are classes in one great school, in each of which

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An Adyar School

A RECENT number of *The Theosophist* contains the pleasing information that a school for educating and training members in a way that will fit them for greater usefulness in theosophical work has been started at Adyar. A number of qualified resident members will do most of the work, and Dr. Besant herself, will have some part in it. She suggests that promising young members from various countries might be sent to Adyar for such special education.

It will be remembered by many Americans that a young member at San Francisco, who had given a few lectures there, and who seemed to some rather worth-while, was sent to Adyar about a dozen or more years ago, and remained a year and a half. He turned out to be an exceedingly useful writer and lecturer,—Bishop Irving S. Cooper. There may be other young people among us as unknown as he was in 1907, who are also good material, and we should be thinking of those who are to take our places when we pass on. Any lodge that has promising material should report it.

A Summer School?

IT HAS BEEN suggested that it might be a good idea to hold a theosophical summer school at Lake Tahoe, Nevada, (not far from

Reno) and induce Mr. Fritz Kunz to take charge of it. The idea seems to be to combine pleasure and instruction, and make it a summer holiday. The difficulty would be the long distance from most of our theosophical centers, but that might be overcome by many. While rather doubting whether it is practicable, I willingly act on the suggestion to mention it in these columns, and ask those who can attend to make it known.

Increasing the Attendance

ELSEWHERE in THIS number of THE MESSENGER appears the list of dates, and the places where several national lecturers will speak in the coming weeks. The hope is that by having this known to all our readers, many of them will write to friends and relatives urging them to attend the lectures. After a lecture, the lecturer is often approached by both strangers and members with something like this: "When will you be in —? I so much want my friends there to hear such a lecture."

Another way in which members can help to fill the halls is by calling friends on the telephone, and especially inviting them to attend. Members who have automobiles can do a good work by making an engagement to call for friends and drive them to the lectures. The visit of a national lecturer should be regarded as the harvest time, when the results of long preparation are to be reaped in a day or two, and there should be carefully concerted effort in making the very most of it.

The Building Fund

IN THE OCTOBER number of THE MESSENGER a Headquarters building fund was announced, and it was explained that the original plan for financing the purchase of Headquarters did not include a call for donations, but that the housing of the \$5,000 printing plant presented by a generous member, together with the sudden necessity of shipping the entire book stock to Chicago, forced a change of plans. The original building had to be almost doubled. The emergency was met by temporary loans, and now we must finance the new building.

One of our members has come forward with an offer to be one of fifty to subscribe \$100 each. That seems a good plan. There will be many who will desire to donate a smaller sum, but fifty at \$100 will put the matter at once on firm ground. Who will

join this financial phalanx of fifty? Send checks to the Secretary-Treasurer. If you cannot be one of the fifty but, nevertheless, wish to help in the good work, send what you can. It certainly is "good work,"—paying for our theosophical laboratory, so to speak. Our Headquarters is not a palatial home, but rather a well equipped workshop, where we carry on the office work of administration, print our books and propaganda free literature, and send them out into the world on their useful mission.

Our Own Printing

ONE OF THE most encouraging of recent things is the hearty cooperation of many lodges with Headquarters in properly advertising our national lecturers. In nearly

all instances poor audiences can be traced to poor advertising. I cannot speak for the other lecturers, but in my own case the audiences have been strikingly improved in every case but one where the lodges ordered the high class advertising matter from our printing department, and there was probably some unknown factor in that instance that prevented the marked improvement shown elsewhere. Colorado Lodge has placed a standing order for programs and window cards for all national lecturers visiting Denver. That simplifies things.

Lodges as far away as the Pacific Coast are ordering, and there has been no difficulty in always having the printed matter delivered to them several days before it is needed.

L. W. R.

History "Six Greatest Men"

H. G. Wells, the outstanding figure among modern writers of history, has selected six men as the greatest of all men within our knowledge. His choice, given in an interview with Bruce Barton for the July *American Magazine*, is governed by characteristics that make for enduring influence.

Confucius he will not include because we know too little of China and of his work. Alexander is eliminated from the list because "as his power increased, his arrogance and violence grew with it. He drank hard and murdered ruthlessly." Caesar, too, finds no place among the half dozen greatest because of his affair with Cleopatra while at the crest of his power, when he might have done so much for the world if he actually possessed the vision ascribed to him. Napoleon fares even worse at the hands of the critic-historian, and Mohammed, Charlemagne, Richelieu, all fall below the standard set for "permanent greatness." But who are the six?

Jesus of Nazareth is the first, not only because after nineteen hundred years, from underneath a mass of the miraculous and incredible, the man himself keeps breaking through and we sense the magnetism that induced men who had seen him only once to leave their business and follow him; but primarily the place is his "by virtue of the new and simple and profound doctrine which he brought—the universal, loving Fatherhood of God and the coming of the Kingdom of

Heaven." The world began to be a different world, Mr. Wells claims, from the day that doctrine was preached.

The second place is given to the Buddha because he, too, brought a message universal in its character, knowing no limitations of time or of place. Many of our best and most modern ideas are in closest harmony with it. "He stands," so the historian told the interviewer, "on one of the corners of history; events hinge upon him; his influence persists."

Third in the list is Aristotle, with whom political and natural science began. To quote Mr. Wells' own words, "That insistence on facts, and the rigid analysis of facts, that determination to look the truth in the face, to deal with the world as it is rather than as we might wish it to be, was a big new step in human progress. . . . He was the founder of the scientific method."

And the fourth name is that of King Asoka, the only monarch in the whole list. "He ruled a vast empire which stretched from Afghanistan to Madras; and he is the only military monarch on record who abandoned warfare after victory. After a successful war—his one and only war—he announced that he would henceforth turn from battle and devote himself to the happiness of his people. He organized the digging of wells and the planting of trees for shade. He appointed officers to supervise charitable works. He

planted gardens for growing medicinal herbs and provided for the education of women. He sought to develop in his whole people an understanding of the teachings of Buddha as a guide to successful living. For twenty-eight years he worked sanely and unselfishly for the real needs of men. Among all the thousands of kings, emperors, and majesties, great and little, Asoka shines almost alone, a star. More living men cherish his memory today than have ever heard the name of Charlemagne."

Then comes the fifth—Roger Bacon. He wins his place because of his passionate insistence upon the need for experiment. He lived in the thirteenth century, yet his vision of the progress experiment would make possible prompted him to write this oft-quoted paragraph:

Machines for navigating are possible without rowers, so that great ships suited to river or ocean, guided by one man, may be borne with greater speed than if they

were full of men. Likewise, cars may be made so that without a draught animal they may be moved *cum impetu inestimabili*, as we deem the scythed chariots to have been from which antiquity fought. And flying machines are possible, so that a man may sit in the middle, turning some device by which artificial wings may beat the air in the manner of the flying bird.

The sixth, and last, was to be chosen from our own times, and the problem was difficult. It seemed that it must be from America, and if so, the question was, Should it be Washington or Lincoln? The decision was for Lincoln for "America might have imported her Washington, full grown, from the old world. She had to grow her own Lincoln."

There they are—Jesus, Buddha, Aristotle, Asoka, Bacon, Lincoln—selected as the greatest in all history. And the most significant fact is that this foremost but typical thinker of the day gives high preference to *service to humanity*. G. W.

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there is some specialization. Mistrust, suspicion, ignorance and stupid self-consciousness—the desire for permanent security and magnification of the little personality of an individual or a nation—give rise to expressions of ill feeling that result in warfare of all kinds. "Shall the mind be dominated by lifelong astral excitement, or the loving intuition of the buddhic man?" is the question that the Theosophical Society is expected to be answering in the world. Criticism we shall always have, but the criticism of pure judgment, not that which seeks by strong words and phrases to excite the personal bias of the astral nature—methods of attack which often cause the pure in heart to have recourse to the same weapons for defense; as the Allies found themselves compelled to use poison-gas, in the exigencies of the world war. Woe to the man who attacks with the poison-gas of exciting words; woe to him still more if by his insistence he compels a battle with such poison-gas, and thus lowers the levels of human contact.

There are many theosophists in the world who are not members of the original Theosophical Society. I should consider it wisdom and a theosophical act on their part to join the Society that the Masters founded through

H. P. B. and H. S. O. and to take part in its inner and outer work. From time to time some have split off and formed other societies, with or without the word Theosophy, and from time to time the idea has been put forward that something ought to be done to unite these off-shoots with the original body in one larger movement. There is no need, for the T. S. is open to all who care to join, and those who wish to do so can come in; but they cannot unconstitutionally usurp the administration of the practical affairs of the society. Those who seek to do so are better outside, for whether they call themselves theosophists or not they are not 6th racers. The theosophist will not abandon father and mother because of their faults, real or imaginary. He will live with them in such harmony as he can until time with its effect upon character brings a progress and peace that cannot be obtained by separation and mutual offense.

Intuition should teach us this—the 6th race instinct that will not permit anyone to be excluded from the circle of love, which will not permit the disciple to stand up and fight on any occasion unless he can first say, "I love my enemy with *all* my heart," as Arjuna did in ancient times.

Proceedings of the
Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention
American Theosophical Society

Kansas City, Missouri, September 18, 1922

THE CONVENTION was opened at 9:30 A. M.—Mr. L. W. Rogers presiding.

City Councillor, John B. Pew, representing the Mayor of Kansas City, extended a hearty welcome to the delegates. The Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City was represented by Mr. W. M. Symon who welcomed the delegates to Kansas City.

Mr. James Swain, president of Kansas City Lodge, on behalf of that lodge, extended to the convention the right hand of fellowship and the left hand of obstacles overcome.

The first order of business was the appointing of a secretary. It was moved and seconded that Miss Ila Fain be appointed. Adopted.

It was moved and seconded that the reading of the minutes of the previous Convention be waived. Unanimously adopted.

The National President's address then followed. It was received with much enthusiasm. The convention arose in a body and gave him a great ovation.

The following committees were then appointed:

Resolutions Committee: Mrs. A. Ross Read, Chairman; Mr. Hudson, St. Louis; Mrs. Finch, Tulsa.

By-Laws Committee: Mr. Carnes, Washington, chairman; Miss Gail Wilson, Chicago; Mr. Dawkins, Dallas.

Credentials Committee: Mr. Swain, Kansas City, chairman; Mr. Beaumont, Kansas City; Miss Fouraker, Dallas.

The auditors' report covering an examination of the books and records of the American Section, Theosophical Society, and the Theosophical Press, for the year ended June 30, 1922, was then read by the secretary of the Convention. This was followed by a report of the Section Secretary.

MR. ROGERS: There are two or three points in the auditors' report to which I want to call attention. First, THE MESSENGER—you notice a deficit there. THE MESSENGER is given to the members, and when a thing is given away, and is causing a deficit, one must not expect more. Often there has been a cry for a larger MESSENGER, but I warn you that it cannot be increased in size with dues what they were before the War. You will also notice that the lecturers' collections were over \$2,000 less than the expenses. Just remember that if you can be generous with the lecturers you should do so.

There was another deficit, and that was in the Publicity Department. There again we give and give and do not charge anything. How much we can give depends on how much is subscribed and sent in during the year. We are somewhat in debt on account of our various big enterprises, and until they are cleared we should live within our income. A society ought to do it just as certainly as a family should.

The next order of business was the introduction of resolutions. The following resolutions were introduced—

By Mr. McGuire of the Washington Lodge:

Resolved: That the American Section of the Theosophical Society in convention assembled send loving greetings to our venerable International President, Mrs. Annie Besant, and pledges anew its loyalty to her in the exercise of her constitutional duties.

By Mr. Dawkins of Dallas Lodge:

Resolved: That as a partial expression of our deep love and respect and profound gratitude for their immense services to the Theosophical Society, the officers and members of this Convention authorize the Secretary of the Convention to send the following cable to our President, Dr. Annie Besant: The 36th Annual Convention of the American Section of the Theosophical Society assembled in Kansas City sends its grateful, loving and loyal greetings and prays the Masters may long spare you to continue as before to guide our movement with tolerance, wisdom and courage.

And the following cable to Bishop Leadbeater: The 36th Annual convention of the American Section of the Theosophical Society assembled in Kansas City expresses its intense gratitude for your thirty-eight years of unrelenting work for our cause and records its satisfaction that the renewed attack upon you has resulted in your complete clearance by properly constituted public authority.

By Mr. Duckering of Ames Lodge:

Whereas: Many members of the Section are engaged in the teaching profession, and

Whereas, they cannot obtain leaves of absence except during the regular vacation periods,

Be it Resolved that in so far as possible the national conventions be held during the period of the educational vacations.

By Bishop Cooper:

Resolved: That the American Section in convention assembled express its gratitude and hearty appreciation of the courtesy, generosity and self-sacrificing labors of the members of Kansas City Lodge in preparing for this convention.

By Miss Clara Linder:

Resolved: That the American Section of the Theosophical Society in convention assembled hereby extend a vote of thanks to the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City, Mo. for its hospitality and efficient courtesy.

By Mr. F. J. Rosenbaum:

Resolved: That the American Section of the Theosophical Society in convention assembled extend a vote of thanks for the courtesy extended by the Kansas City Automobile Club.

By Dr. Boxell of St. Paul Lodge:

Be It Resolved: That the American Theosophical Society in convention assembled express its most sincere appreciation and gratitude to our national president L. W. Rogers for the splendid results he has obtained in the short time of his administration, and pledge him its loyal support and cooperation in his plans for the spiritual conquest of America.

Be it also resolved: That the convention express its appreciation of the efficient and loyal cooperation of the headquarters staff which has helped to make this success possible.

The resolution of the Southern California Federation, asking that one-fourth of all dues from that territory be returned, was read by the Convention Secretary. [This resolution was printed in full in THE MESSENGER for September.]

By Mr. Dawkins:

Resolved: That the 36th Annual Convention send loving greetings and remembrances to Mr. A. P. Warington and Miss Poutz.

By Mr. Dawkins:

Resolved: That we send greetings and love to our International Vice-President, Mr. C. Jinarajadasa.

By Mrs. Ben-Allen Samuel:

Whereas, it is the duty and privilege of all Theosophists to guarantee adequate funds for the expenses of National Lecturers, and to provide a salary if desired, and

Whereas, this guarantee can only be assured if a Special Fund is provided,

Be It Resolved that the Kansas City Convention create a "National Lecture Fund" to be maintained by yearly pledges from all American Theosophists.

By Miss Clara Linder:

Resolved: That the American Section in Convention assembled express its deep appreciation to Dr. Weller Van Hook for his kindness in visiting and addressing that convention.

By Bishop Cooper:

Resolved: That the American Section send warmest greetings and heartiest welcome to its two Indian visitors, J. Krishnamurti and J. Nityananda.

By Mr. Dawkins:

Resolved: That the 36th Annual Convention express its appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Fritz Kunz for his illuminating and instructive lecture on India and the workers there, and for his valiant and loyal defense of our revered leaders and teachers, Dr. Besant and Bishop Leadbeater.

Greetings were received from the following: The General Secretary of the T. S. in Canada; The Houston Lodge, Annie Besant Lodge, Cleveland, and from Mrs. Harriet Tuttle Bartlett.

The Credential Committee's report was then adopted. It showed 1496 delegates and proxies to be present.

The Resolution Committee then made a partial report. The following resolutions were recommended for adoption, and were unanimously adopted by the Convention: The resolution to extend a vote of thanks to the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; the resolution expressing gratitude to the members of the Kansas City Lodge for their hospitality; the resolution to hold conventions during educational vacation periods; the resolution to send greetings and welcome to our two Indian visitors.

The By-Laws committee, Mr. Carnes, chairman, then presented the following report which was adopted as read:

In By-Law VI, Section 2, the following amendment is recommended:

That paragraph "c" be amended to read "The Secretary-Treasurer of the Section," and that paragraph "d" be eliminated, and that the paragraphs now lettered "e," "f" and "g" be relettered "d," "e" and "f," respectively.

That the hyphenated word "Secretary-Treasurer of the Section" be substituted for the words "Secretary of the Section" wherever they occur in the By-Laws.

It is recommended that By-Law VII, Section 7, be amended by the addition of this sentence: "All checks drawn upon the funds of the Section shall bear signature of the Secretary-Treasurer and the countersignature of some member duly authorized for that purpose by the Board of Directors."

In view of this amendment it is recommended that Section 8 be stricken out, and that the following Sections be properly renumbered.

In By-Law VIII, Section 1, second paragraph, it is recommended that the words "on the last Friday in August, at 9:30, a. m., and" be eliminated, making the sentence to read: "The annual meeting shall be held in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois."

It is also recommended that a committee be now appointed to look into the matter of re-incorporating the American Section of the Theosophical Society in some State in which the laws are more suitable than those of the State of Illinois for an organization such as ours.

The resolution introduced by Mr. McGuire to send loving greetings to our international president was adopted by a rising vote—unanimously.

The Chair appointed the following committee on nominations: Mr. Hurxthal, St. Louis, chairman; Mr. Van Slyke, Des Moines; and Dr. Boxell, St. Paul.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The business of the convention was resumed.

The resolutions committee then made its final report. The resolution to create a "special lecture fund" was recommended for adoption in the following form:

Resolved: That this National Convention go on record as expressing its conviction that the establishment of a lecturers' fund as suggested by our National President, Mr. L. W. Rogers, in the September issue of THE MESSENGER be approved and said fund be open to contributions from all theosophists and friends. [The "New Territory Fund."]

The above resolution was adopted unanimously.

The resolution offered by the Southern California Federation was recommended for rejection by the resolutions committee. The committee's recommendation was unanimously adopted.

The resolution to authorize the secretary of the Convention to send a cable to Dr. Annie Besant and Bishop C. W. Leadbeater was recommended for adoption by the resolutions committee. Mr. McGuire of the Washington Lodge objected to the joint resolution, and moved that the resolution be divided. The motion was seconded.

After discussion, a vote of the Convention was taken, 27 voting in favor of the division of the resolution, and 76 against. The resolution as a whole was then considered. Mr. McGuire of Washington asked for a proxy vote. After much discussion, the recommendation of the committee was concurred in with three dissenting votes.

Mr. McGuire asked what the conclusion was with regard to his request for a proxy vote and the Chair stated that his request was not sufficiently supported. Mr. McGuire then asked permission to register the votes of the Washington Lodge against the resolution. The Chair said he had that right and that if it appeared as a proxy vote it should be recorded as 48 proxies against the other 1,448 proxies at Convention.

The following resolutions were recommended for adoption, and were unanimously adopted by the convention: A resolution to extend a vote of thanks to the Kansas City Automobile Club; a resolution of appreciation to Dr. Van Hook; a resolution of appreciation to Mr. Jinarajadasa.

The following resolutions were recommended for adoption, and were adopted with one (1) dissenting vote on each resolution:

The resolution of appreciation to Mr. Kunz.

The resolution of greetings to Mr. Warrington and Miss Poutz.

The resolution of appreciation to Mr. Rogers was recommended for adoption, and was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Mr. Hurxthal as chairman of the Nominations Committee submitted its report.

A call by the Chair for other nominations elicited no response.

It was moved and seconded that the rules be suspended and that the secretary of the convention cast the ballot of the entire convention for the nominations submitted. Carried. The Chair then declared the election as follows: Vice-President, C. F. Holland. For members of the Board of Directors, Charles Weschcke, Miss Gail Wilson and Prof. Wm. Duckering,—their terms of office to cover the ensuing two years.

The Chair stated that unless some other city asked for the Convention it would be held in Chicago next year, a By-Law provision.

In closing the Convention Mr. Rogers congratulated the delegates on the close attention they had given to the business, on the freedom from disputes of any sort, on the harmony that prevailed, and also upon the fact that for the first time in years the business of the Convention had been done in less than one day, leaving all other time for studying the methods of theosophical work.

A vote of thanks was given to the Secretary of the Convention.

The Convention adjourned at 4 p. m.

LODGE MEMBERSHIP RECORD—June 30, 1921 to July 1, 1922

Membership:

Total membership, June 30, 1921.....	7,196
New members during year.....	1,186
Reinstated during year.....	180
Transfers from other Sections.....	19
	<u>8,581</u>

Deceased.....	79
Resigned.....	163
Transferred to other Sections.....	8
Inactive during year.....	1,570
	<u>1,820</u>
Total active membership June 30, 1922.....	6,761
Average number of new members per month.....	99

Lodges:

Number of Lodges June 30, 1921.....	210
New Lodges organized during year.....	26
Lodges revived.....	0
	<u>236</u>
Lodges dissolved.....	14
	<u>222</u>
Lodges not counted active.....	6
Total active Lodges June 30, 1922.....	216

Auditors' Report

For the Year Ending June 30, 1922

To the President and Board of Trustees,
American Section of the Theosophical Society,
Chicago, Illinois.
Gentlemen:

August 23, 1922.

Pursuant to your request we have made an examination of the books and records of the American Section of the Theosophical Society and of The Theosophical Press for the period ended June 30, 1922 and submit herewith our report thereon together with the following described statements:

Exhibit "A"—Consolidated Balance Sheet American Section and Theosophical Press, June 30, 1922.

Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditures American Section—For the year ended June 30, 1922.

Exhibit "C"—Statement of Income and Expenditures Theosophical Press—For the period ended June 30, 1922.

Income and Expenditures

The income and expenditures are summarized as follows:

	Income	Expenditures	Net Income
General.....	\$14,440.00	\$12,821.90	\$ 1,618.10
Messenger.....	2,598.59	4,003.69	1,405.10*
Lecturers.....	4,280.32	6,440.31	2,159.99*
Publicity.....	1,631.78	2,074.72	442.94*
Theosophical Press.....	12,509.47	12,303.97	205.50
	<u>\$35,460.16</u>	<u>\$37,644.59</u>	<u>\$ 2,184.43*</u>

The expenses of the Theosophical Press as shown above include extraordinary expenses of approximately \$1,200.00 which were necessary for its organization and the taking over of the stock of the Theosophical Publishing House at Krotona. With these non-recurring items eliminated the net income would have been approximately 12% of the sales instead of 1½% as shown.

Comments

We have verified all cash funds, with the exception of the California working funds, either by actual count or by certificates from the depositaries.

*Debit balance.

The various accounts with customers were examined and were found to be in agreement with the general books.

The inventory of \$17,942.06 representing the cost of all saleable books and merchandise on hand at June 30 at both Chicago and Krotana, was examined and found to be mathematically correct.

We examined the various additions to the fixed asset accounts during the year and in our opinion all the entries were properly applied. Depreciation has been provided on all wasting assets at rates which are considered fair and reasonable.

As far as we were able to ascertain all known liabilities were given effect to on the books of account prior to June 30, 1922.

Yours very truly,

GEO. M. DOTY & Co.

Certified Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "A"

THE AMERICAN SECTION OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

and THE THEOSOPHICAL PRESS

Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30, 1922

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash on hand and on deposit.....	\$ 20,300.48	
Liberty Loan Bond	50.00	
Accounts Receivable	3,638.00	
Inventory—Books and Merchandise	17,942.06	
Inventory—Supplies	554.96	\$ 42,485.50

FIXED ASSETS:

Real Estate—Chicago Headquarters	\$ 6,000.00	
Buildings—Chicago Headquarters	6,749.65	
Furniture and Fixtures	2,894.40	
Household Equipment	837.62	
Printing Equipment	3,338.76	
Bindery Equipment	1,445.38	
Book Plates	406.59	
Library	250.00	

	\$ 15,922.40		
Less Depreciation Reserve	602.33	15,320.07	21,320.07
			\$ 63,805.57

LIABILITIES

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Accounts Payable	\$ 2,345.23	
Gold Debenture Notes	23,035.00	
Real Estate Mortgages	8,200.00	
Accrued Interest Payable	404.25	\$ 33,984.48

Deferred Credits—Prepaid Dues, etc.....	7,509.06	
Total Investment	22,312.03	
		\$ 63,805.57

EXHIBIT "B"

THE AMERICAN SECTION OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures For the year ended June 30, 1922

GENERAL

Income

Fees and Dues	\$ 12,452.04	
Rents Received—Headquarters	1,789.80	
Interest Received	198.16	\$ 14,440.00

Expenses

Convention Expense	\$ 415.12	
Salaries	5,373.80	
Rent	2,400.00	
Adyar Percentage—International Headquarters.....	883.26	
Field Organizing Expense	664.30	
Postage and Mailing	502.32	
Printing and Stationery	386.56	
Telephone and Telegraph	219.91	
Insurance	79.45	
House Maintenance	289.40	
House Supplies	437.49	
Water, Light and Gas	124.09	
Exchange	40.04	

Forwarded	11,815.74	\$ 14,440.00
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*Debit balance.

THE MESSENGER

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Brought Forward	\$ 11,815.74	\$ 14,440.00	
Auditing	50.00		
Traveling Expense	36.06		
Depreciation—Buildings and Equipment.....	260.12		
Interest Paid	136.90		
Printing Dept. Expense	51.06		
Loss on sale of Liberty Bonds.....	58.00		
Sundry	495.52		
	<u>\$ 12,903.40</u>		
Less Supplies Inventory	81.50	12,821.90	\$ 1,618.10
THE MESSENGER			
Income			
Subscriptions	\$ 1,723.44		
Advertising Space	580.25		
Sale of Paper Stock.....	284.90		
Donations	10.00	2,598.59	
Expenses			
Printing Expense	\$ 2,838.87		
Salaries	861.25		
Postage and Mailing	59.36		
Sundry	244.21	4,003.69	1,405.10*
LECTURERS			
Income			
Lecturers Collections		\$ 4,280.32	
Expenses			
Lecturers Guarantees and Expenses.....		6,440.31	2,159.99*
PUBLICITY			
Income			
Donations and Pledges		\$ 1,631.78	
Expenses			
Rent	\$ 312.50		
Salaries	435.93		
Postage	142.00		
Literature and Printing	962.17		
Stationery and Supplies	205.95		
Sundry	16.17	2,074.72	442.94*
Net Deficit for the year.....			\$ 2,389.93*

EXHIBIT "C"

THE THEOSOPHICAL PRESS

Statement of Income and Expenditures

For the period ended June 30, 1922

Gross Sales	\$ 12,483.27		
Less Returns and Allowances.....	101.75	\$ 12,381.52	
Cost of Sales-Purchases (Including Freight and Duty).....	\$ 22,650.94		
Less Inventory June 30, 1922.....	17,942.06	4,708.88	
Gross Profit on Sales		\$ 7,672.64	
General and Selling Expenses			
Office Salaries	\$ 3,532.89		
Rent	255.00		
Stationery, Printing and Postage.....	134.89		
Office Supplies	131.35		
Insurance	194.78		
Taxes	196.56		
Exchange and Collection Expense.....	130.96		
Organization and Debenture Note Expense.....	838.63		
Sales Expense	105.00		
Packing and Shipping Expense.....	207.28		
Advertising	282.31		
Depreciation	342.21		
Miscellaneous Expense	548.32	6,900.18	
Net Profit from Operations.....		\$ 772.46	
Other Income			
Donations	\$ 10.00		
Interest on Bank Balances.....	97.62		
Profit on Magazine Subscriptions	20.33	127.95	
Total Income from all sources.....		\$ 900.41	
Other Expenses			
Interest on Gold Debenture Notes.....	\$ 693.90		
Discounts Allowed	1.01	694.91	
Surplus Net Profit		\$ 205.50	

*Debit balance.

Mrs. Besant's Education Work

Mr. Fritz Kunz announces that he has received gifts for the Society for the Promotion of National Education in India in amounts as follows:

2 S. P. N. E. annual membership subscriptions, (Miss Gray, Mr. Dawkins).....	\$20.00
2 Annual contributions for support of Panchamas in school, (Mrs. Finkbeiner, Mr. Fowler).....	50.00
Convention cash collection for Panchama schools.....	94.00
S. P. N. E. membership (part) (Mrs. Weatherhead).....	5.00
Reno, Nevada, for Panchama schools.....	60.00

Total at September 26th.....\$229.00

The enterprise to be chiefly benefitted by the donations to the S. P. N. E. is the Indian Village work. Beginning with sample villages around Adyar, it is proposed to develop a fine system of education, sanitation and civic ideals as models for the country. Self-help is the principal idea and Mr. Kunz makes very clear to his listeners the tremendous good a few American dollars can do. His permanent address is 6164 Glen Holly, Hollywood, California.

Russian Relief

Mrs. Emilie B. Welton, of the New York Lodge, acknowledges receipt of the following donations, to be sent to Russia.

Previously acknowledged.....	\$726.30
Mrs. M. E. Meirick.....	5.00
Mrs. Lillian Finlay.....	1.00
"Sincere".....	5.00
Chicago Headquarters, T. S.....	5.50

\$742.80

National Lecturers' Engagements

Help increase the attendance by writing your non member friends in the cities named about the coming of the lecturers. Write at least a week in advance.

MR. L. W. ROGERS

St. Louis	Nov. 5, 6, 7
Kansas City	Nov. 8, 9, 10
Omaha	Nov. 12, 13, 14
Denver	Nov. 15, 16, 17
Colorado Springs	Nov. 19, 20
Pueblo	Nov. 21, 22
Salt Lake City	Nov. 24, 25
San Francisco	Dec. 3, 4, 5
Oakland	Dec. 6, 7
Berkeley	Dec. 8, 9
Santa Rosa	Dec. 10
Palo Alto	Dec. 11
Santa Cruz	Dec. 13
San Jose	Dec. 14, 15, 16
Berkeley	Nov. 3, 4
San Francisco	Nov. 5, 6, 7
Portland	Nov. 9, 10, 11
Seattle	Nov. 12, 13, 14
Tacoma	Nov. 15, 16, 17
Anaconda	Nov. 19, 20
Butte	Nov. 21, 22, 23
Minneapolis	Nov. 26, 27, 28
St. Paul	Nov. 29, 30, Dec. 1
Chicago	Dec. 3, 4
Lansing	Dec. 5, 6, 7, 8
Cleveland	Dec. 10, 11
Buffalo	Dec. 12
Rochester	Dec. 13, 14, 15
Billings, Montana	Oct. 30th to Nov. 6th, incl.
Casper, Wyoming	Nov. 8th to 15th, incl.
Greeley, Colo.	Nov. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
Cheyenne, Wyoming	Nov. 25th to Dec. 2nd, incl.
Ogden, Utah	Dec. 3rd to Dec. 9th, incl.
Salt Lake City	Dec. 10, 11, 12

MR. EUGENE W. MUNSON

Theosophy by Radio

Since Dr. E. B. Beckwith talked over the radio in Chicago last August, other theosophical lectures have been broadcasted: Mr. Fritz Kunz at Reno, Nevada; Omaha, Nebraska, and Denver, Colorado; his subject being, "Psychic Wireless"; and Mr. L. W. Rogers, at Detroit, Michigan, on "The Living Dead."

Max Wardall

National Lecturer Max Wardall will be available for lecture work after the first of the year, along the Pacific Coast only, Washington, Oregon and California. Those desiring his services should communicate with Mr. Ray Wardall, 704 New York Block, Seattle, Washington.

Dr. Strong Resigns

Doctor Frederick Finch Strong has resigned as National Lecturer for the American Section owing to the fact that his time is now entirely occupied with the new Electronic Healing work and research along healing lines.

Announcement

As it is probable that I shall open a retail theosophical book store in New York City in the near future, I would be pleased to hear from any member who can sell books and keep accounts, with details. Address, care Guarantee Trust Company of New York, Fifth Avenue and 44th Street, New York.

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Get This Remarkable Book for Your Library—It's Free!

Through special arrangement any lodge in the American Section can obtain a free copy of Julia E. Johnsen's book, "The Negro Problem." We theosophists more than any other group ought to be well informed on this subject. Here is an opportunity to obtain what is generally conceded to be the most thorough and comprehensive book dealing with all phases of the question.

In her explanatory note the author writes, "This volume is intended to be an interpretation of the leading aspects of the Negro Problem of today. . . . A preliminary view of the history and status of the Negro in our civilization is given, with other material of general interest, followed by the more specific phases of our race relationships—the problem itself—with special consideration to its leading divisions, controversial or otherwise, race prejudice, amalgamation, education, violence including lynching, race riots and peonage, the Negro of the South and the North, Negro suffrage, the Negro in industry, segregation and colonization, and, lastly, the expression of opinion as to the future of the best way to racial peace."

The aim of the writer has been to present in the reprints and complete bibliography absolute impartiality toward all views, and selections have been chosen from both white and Negro writers, from opposers and sympathizers of the Negro alike. In fact here is a book all students of the problem have been waiting for and it is fortunate indeed for our lodges to be accorded the unusual chance of securing a free copy of this 370 page book published at \$2.25.

It is sent post-paid upon condition that the request is received before Jan. 1st through an officer of the lodge and that the book will be placed in the lodge library. Better remind one of your officers today so your lodge will be sure to get this free book. Write to Charles Weschcke, 98 So. Wabash St., St. Paul, Minn.

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The unparalleled exodus from Thrace, Asia Minor and Constantinople of an estimated 1,500,000 people is attended by intense suffering, hardship of every description, and actual starvation. Picture it for yourselves.

Extreme misery and suffering are still going on in Russia, Austria, Hungary and many other European lands. We have exhausted our resources. Help us keep up the good work!

Send contributions for relief of starving refugees to The European Aid Committee, Inc., Edith C. Gray, Treas., 2468 East 72nd Street, Chicago, and the Committee will make careful disposition of funds without any deduction for expense. Specific designations such as "Near East Relief," etc., will be observed.

Dr. Van Hook's New York Lectures

We are requested to state, by Dr. Weller Van Hook, that, if stenographic notes of two lectures delivered by him in New York City some weeks ago were taken and afterwards circulated, the acts were committed against his expressed wishes, that such reports have not been seen or corrected by him, and that he will accept no responsibility for them.

Deaths

*Rest in the Eternal, grant them, Oh Lord,
And may light perpetual shine upon them.*

Ensign Stephen T. Allen.....Wallace Lodge
Mrs. Eugene Andrews.....Leavenworth
George Edwin Brittain.....Dayton
Mrs. Antoinette Gano Cass....Genesee (Rochester)
Everett S. Chapman.....Colorado
Mrs. Nettie Golladay.....Kansas City
Miss Alma M. Howells.....Pittsburgh
Mrs. Katharyn Hutchinson.....Birmingham
Mr. Amasa Keith.....Long Island (N. Y.)
Mrs. Clara Osborne.....Port Huron
Frank C. Pelchman.....Kansas City
William J. Walters.....San Francisco

New Territory Fund

The New Territory Fund is growing, and we print here the total receipts from September 15th to October 15th, together with amount of pledges received at Convention:

Previously acknowledged	\$183.00
Mrs. Florence Anderson, Torrington, Wyo.	7.50
Mrs. Anna Brinkley, Hollywood, Cal.	5.00
Miss Sarah E. Bronson, San Francisco, Calif.	5.00
Sheridan Park Lodge, Chicago, Ill.	25.00
Mrs. Maude Couch, Atlanta, Ga.	25.00
Mr. G. A. Fowler, Colorado Springs	50.00
Mrs. A. J. Finkbeiner, Lansing, Mich.	25.00
Mr. T. D. Dawkins, Ft. Worth, Texas	10.00
Mr. Fred E. Henkel, Oklahoma City, Okla.	10.00
Mrs. Rosalie Carlton, Chicago, Ill.	10.00
Mrs. Cornelia Martiniz, Richfield Springs, N. Y.	10.00
Miss I. Muntz, Wichita, Kansas	10.00
Miss A. Bloomquist, Minneapolis, Minn.	25.00
Miss Hilda Toenberg, Minneapolis, Minn.	25.00
Besant Lodge, Seattle, Wash.	10.00
Mrs. Bertha T. Palmer, Kansas City, Kans.	25.00
Dr. Geddis, Syracuse, Neb.	5.00
M. A. L., M. A. L.	5.00
Mrs. Jennie Bollenbacher, Columbus, Ohio	20.00
Miss Annie S. Hazeldine, Los Angeles, Calif.	5.00
Mr. Sam Bloomberg, Newark, N. J.	100.00
Mr. L. W. Rogers	15.00
Herakles Lodge, Chicago, Ill.	10.00
Fargo Lodge, Fargo, N. D.	20.00
Mrs. H. K. Campbell, Fargo, N. D.	10.00
Miss Eugenie Honold, Abbeville, La.	2.00
Dr. Edw. Boxell, St. Paul, Minn.	103.00
Mr. John Farley, Ft. Worth	10.00
Hermes Lodge, Philadelphia	50.00
Mrs. Ferretti, Reno	5.00
Miss Parker, Reno	5.00
A Friend	5.00
Ames Lodge, Ames, Ia.	10.00

Total Pledges to New Territory Fund at Convention	\$840.50
Amount paid on pledges at Convention	\$1,600.00
Received since Convention to Oct 15th	200.00
	490.00
Balance still due on pledges	\$1,110.00

Publicity Department

Successful business houses say that advertising is the basis of their prosperity. To succeed they have to let the public know that they exist, and what they have to offer to the people. It is necessarily so with the Theosophical Society. We must let it be known that we exist and that we have a philosophy of life of inestimable value. It was for that particular purpose that the Publicity Department was established. We should spend more money to let the world know that we have something for it, and where that something can be had.

During the last six weeks we have distributed over 40,000 leaflets, an average of about 200 per Lodge, carrying the message of Theosophy. This unusual demand depleted our stock to such an extent that a reprint had to be made, and several other titles were added to our list, among them being Universal Brotherhood, Facts about Death, Memory of Past Lives, and the Aura.

With the quantity we were able to produce by our first effort we could not meet the demands of those Lodges who wanted large quantities, consequently some have been disappointed in getting all they needed. By portioning them out as we have done each Lodge and individual has received a supply that would last a short time. With several months' donations, equal to the amount below, we can do much better.

When Lodges wish an unusual supply, a supply running into thousands, arrangements can be made with the Printing Department to buy them. The reason for this announcement is that requests are coming in from Lodges wanting to buy propaganda literature outright. The Publicity Department has nothing to sell. Its material is free to those who want it. We give away everything we get. Some send in donations and ask for nothing, while others do their work by distributing; each is necessary to the success of our Department.

A great improvement has been made in the pamphlets, as well as the leaflets, and we are sending them to people whose names are sent to us. Let us have your lists of new people gotten at the lectures and each will receive pamphlets Nos. 1 and 2 of the series with a return post card request for the remaining ones. The pamphlets are expensive and we would like to send them to people who have either had a leaflet, heard a lecture or definitely expressed themselves as desiring further literature.

Headquarters Building Fund

Wanted: Fifty pledges for \$100 each, payable on condition that the entire number is secured. Lesser sums are subscribed without condition.

Acknowledged to date	
J. Harry Carnes.....	\$100.00
Russell Lloyd Jones.....	100.00
C. F. Holland.....	100.00
L. W. Rogers.....	25.00
Dr. George Carr.....	25.00
Mrs. A. H. Bird.....	10.00

\$360.00

Propaganda Donations

For month of September, 1922

Gulfport Lodge	\$ 1.50
Florence Anderson	7.50
Anna P. Bird.....	2.00
Mr. Walter Osborne.....	5.00
G. J. Braun.....	5.00
S. H. Cleaves.....	5.00
Dr. Ada Le Freeman.....	.50
Houston Lodge	10.00
Miss Marquerite Mayr.....	1.00
Mr. A. C. Ploth.....	1.00
Mrs. H. P. Stuart.....	5.00
Mrs. M. Stewart.....	1.00
H. D. Olson.....	10.00
Mrs. Shillard Smith.....	10.00
Detroit Theo. Assn.....	5.00
Syracuse Lodge	1.00
O. H. Jolley.....	5.00
A Friend	1.00
Dr. and Mrs. Carr.....	5.00
Mrs. Sophina Peck.....	1.00
Louisville Lodge	5.00
M. Lauder50
Mrs. F. MacDonald.....	1.00
Pittsburg Lodge	5.00

\$94.00

Will some one contribute toward support of orphan child in theosophical home where it will have best of care and education? Route 6, Box 428, Portland, Oregon.

Persons or lodges having books they are willing to donate or sell reasonably for a much-needed T. S. library please communicate with Ray W. Harden, San Jose Lodge, P. O. Box 690, San Jose, California. Give list of books and prices, or if donating, send with transportation charges C. O. D.

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The ancient, narrow Path, given in Christian terminology, is embodied in this book. Of great value to students of liberal christianity and of comparative religion. Contains investigations into the past incarnations of some of the Saints, and a remarkable chapter on the work of Angels.

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Children everywhere will greatly prize these charming pictures of their friends, the fairies and gnomes. They are actual photographs taken by two little girls in Yorkshire, England. The following can be had: A. Alice and the Fairies; B. Iris and the Gnome; C. Alice and the Leaping Fairy; D. Fairy Offering Flowers to Alice; E. Fairies and their Sun Bath.. Size, 3½x4¼, \$0.50; 4½x6, \$0.75; 6x8, \$1.40.

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A delightful series of sketches, written with great charm and power, of many interesting episodes in the history of the T. S.....\$0.50

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